Aufuldish announces re-election bid

Staff report

Lake County Commissioner Robert E. Aufuldish announced Monday that he has filed candidacy petitions with the county Elections Board to seek reelection.

The Wickliffe Democrat will run for the term commencing Jan. 3, 2013.

He has served four terms as commissioner since initially winning election in 1996.

"During my terms as commissioner I feel I've helped guide Lake County to a sound fiscal operation," Aufuldish said. "Despite everything going on we've been able to keep everything on an even keel."

He said in a news release that he has deep respect for county workers who, despite not having raises for more than four years, continue to serve residents diligently and competently.

Aufuldish cited active participation in the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency serving as the agency's Air Quality Committee since 2005 and that Northeast Ohio now is under federal compliance for air quality.

As of now, the filing deadline to run for county commissioner is Dec. 7.

It's possible the Ohio General Assembly could change the filing deadline if the March 6 primary is moved to a different month.

Candidates need to file for office at least 90 days before the election.

If Aufuldish wins his party's nomination during the March primary, he would run against a Republican Party challenger in November 2012.

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